

**Introduced by Senator Torlakson**

February 22, 2008

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An act to amend Section 51870 of the Education Code, relating to education technology.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 1643, as introduced, Torlakson. Education technology: California Technology Assistance Project

Under existing law, the State Department of Education administers the California Technology Assistance Project (CTAP) to, among other things, provide a regionalized network of technical assistance to schools and districts on the implementation of education technology. Existing law establishes regional consortia that work with school districts and county offices of education to meet educational needs that can be met with the use of technology, and specifies a list of areas of educational needs. Existing law defines "technology," for purposes of the CTAP as "technology-based materials, equipment, systems, and networks."

This bill would modify the definition of technology for purposes of the CTAP, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 51870 of the Education Code is amended  
2     to read:

1       51870. For the purposes of this article, “technology” means  
2       technology-based *instructional* materials *and content*, equipment  
3       *and hardware*, systems, *software*, and networks.

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